

MOORE ACQUITTED IN STABBING FRAY TRIAL, CIRCUIT CT.

James Moore, age 20 years, a native of Mississippi, charged with stabbing A. A. (Blackie) Moore, during an altercation at the Denny Fruit company packing house, last October, was acquitted by a jury in the circuit court Wednesday afternoon. The jury deliberated only half an hour. Mrs. Kate Young was the only woman on the jury. The state was represented by District Attorney Borden, and Deputy District Attorney Gaylord, and the defense by Attorney George M. Roberts.

A lively moment came during the arguments to the jury by Deputy District Attorney Gaylord, who dilated upon prohibition enforcement, which brought vigorous objections from the defense counsel sustained by the court.

"Your honor, prohibition is not an issue in this case," shouted Attorney Roberts, as the state assistant pounded the table with his fist.

Before the bench could rule, Attorney Gaylord said: "Your honor, I stand corrected." This closed the issue.

Discrepancies in the testimony of the state's witnesses, was the chief argument of the defense in the jury pleading. The defense contended J. Moore had used the knife in self defense, only.

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U. S. EXPORTS FOR NOVEMBER MAKE NEW HIGH RECORD

WASHINGTON, Dec. 13.—Exports from the United States during November were valued at \$104,000,000, compared with imports for the same period of \$292,000,000, leaving a balance of international trade favorable to this country of \$112,000,000.

The value of exports during November announced today by the commerce department was greater than that for any other month since February, 1921. The imports in value were a trifle less than those of October and practically equal to those of November, 1922, when imported commodities amounted to \$293,000,000.

Officials said one of the reasons for the heavy export total could be found in recent high prices for cotton.

In the commodity section of the international trade summary the department estimated that with the eleven months ending November, the United States has exported \$3,745,186,000 worth of goods and has imported goods valued at \$3,504,500,000. During the same eleven months of 1922 the exports were placed at \$3,487,449,000 and the imports at \$1,818,958,000.

Comparing the two years, the favorable trade balance of the United States for 1922 to date was found to be approximately \$249,000,000, while during the same period last year the balance favorable to the United States was approximately \$689,000.

BRITISH LABOR OUTLINES POLICY

LONDON, Dec. 13.—(By Associated Press.) The Baldwin government was called upon in a resolution passed by the labor party today to make an immediate public announcement of its plans for dealing with the unemployment problem.

The party also passed a resolution expressing confidence in Ramsay MacDonald, the party leader, and voicing belief that should he be called upon to assume high office, he will in all his actions consider the well being of the nation in seeking to apply the principles of the labor movement.

PHOENIX BROTHERHOOD TO MEET ON FRIDAY

The December meeting of the Phoenix brotherhood will be on Friday evening, Dec. 14, at Clyde Hall at 7:30, when every member is asked to be present and all men of the community are invited. Light refreshments.

Important business and plans for the winter and work ahead will be discussed. A full attendance is especially desired to consider matters of great importance.

Crude Oil Increases.
TULSA, Okla., Dec. 13.—An increase in the price of crude oil from the north Texas fields ranging from five cents to thirty cents a barrel was announced today by the Texas company.

PROTESTANT CHURCH UNITY IS URGED BY BISHOP NICHOLSON

COLUMBUS, Ohio, Dec. 13.—"Much of sectarian animosity among the churches has passed away; the Protestant churches are co-operating rather than competing," declared Bishop Thomas Nicholson of the Methodist Episcopal church of Chicago, speaking today at the annual meeting of the executive committee of the federal council of churches on "what the denominations should expect the federal council to do for them." At the same time he said he did not advocate the abolition of denominations, but believed in greater co-operation.

"The denominations expect the federal council to promote the spirit of co-operation among them," Bishop Nicholson said. "There is great need for solidarity of Protestantism which shall be as great as the solidarity of Roman Catholicism, but which shall center around the loyal and carefully wrought out allegiance of the respective bodies to great central ideas and movements. This can only be brought about by mutual intercourse by discussion and by conference."

PARTY OF 9 LOST IN PACIFIC RESCUED

SAN PEDRO, Cal., Dec. 13.—Six chief petty officers of the U. S. S. Procyon, navy supply ship and three civilians, were recuperating today from hardships experienced on San Clemente island, sixty miles south of here, where they were marooned for five days after the 50-ton fishing boat capsized while at anchor in a stormy night.

When the officers failed to return to their ship at the expiration of a two days leave of absence, fears were expressed for their safety and yesterday tug and seaplanes were sent out to search for them. They were found encamped, living on bacon and goat meat and waiting for some ship to take them off.

Anton Hansen, fishing off the island, was not so fortunate. He was drowned when his skiff capsized.

DEMANDS RECOUNT VANCOUVER VOTE

VANCOUVER, B. C., Dec. 13.—Formal announcement that he would demand a recount of ballots cast yesterday when Alderman W. R. Owen defeated him by 53 votes for mayor, was made today by former Mayor L. D. Taylor. Besides the total of 13,746 ballots, 113 were listed as spoiled. The voting, declared the heaviest in the history of Vancouver mayoralty elections, was tallied as follows: Owen 5670; Taylor 5617; Alderman Pettipiece 2459.

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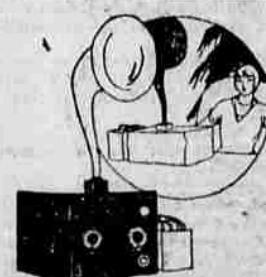
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